

PETERSBURG.
MORTUARY REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST shows that there were sixty deaths in the city during that period, with an average of about one death for every three days. The largest death-rate was in the Third Ward, where there were twenty-five deaths, and thirty-four females, twenty-five males and thirty-two colored, twenty-two whites and twenty-two single, twenty-two married and twenty-two widows. Seventeen died under the age of five years, and four under the age of one year. The lowest rate of mortality was in the Second and Third Wards, and the highest in First, Third, Fourth, and Fifth Wards. The health officer reports that there were no deaths from contagious or infectious diseases. He also reports that the high rate of mortality in the Third Ward was due to the fact that the majority of the deaths were of the aged, and that the majority of the deaths were of the colored race.

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DISCUSSION AT CHARLOTTESVILLE.
THE BILLY MARSHALL FALLS INTO THE HANDS OF CONKLE AND GETS A WITNESS. RASING ABOUT HIS RAILROAD MATTERS—GRAND SPEECH FROM KEILEY. PARSON MASSEY BRINGS UP THE REAR-
THE "FOODLESS" MAKE NO SHOWING AT SPOTSVILIA—THE NUMIDIAN LION ROARS IN THE WILDERNESS—GREAT AND GLORIOUS DAY AT WINCHESTER. RAN. TUCKER SPEAKS AT LEXINGTON. AND JIM FRAZIER REPLIES TO HIM!
(Special telegram to the Dispatch.)
CHARLOTTESVILLE, September 1.—This being court-day, and there having been previously announcements of a discussion on the debt question, the people came in large numbers, and the interest was great. At 12 o'clock the court-house was rapidly filled by a large crowd.

GENERAL WILLIAM MARSH.
was introduced as the first speaker by Bez-ekiah Taylor, Esq., chairman. He com-
menced by citing Thomas Jefferson as the author of the principle that no legislature could bind subsequent legislatures; dis-
claimed any intention of assailing the in-
violability of contracts, or discussing any other than the practical question involved. He said that by reviewing the showing of the Conservative Committee we would see that increase of taxation under the McCulloch bill would be imperative; claimed that the state much lower than any other authority; instead of being \$700,000 or \$800,000, they are over \$1,000,000; made war against the Second Auditor's accuracy and against everybody else, indeed, that differed with the peculiar opinions held by himself; and the assessment of 1880 would show a shrinkage in value, ignoring the fact that the State Committee's report had provided for such shrinkage. He proceeded to give in-
stance wherein other States had readjusted their indebtedness three times, and lauded Virginia for her determination to pay as much as she can, and regretted that she should allow herself to be dictated to by McCulloch. He declared that under the McCulloch bill the taxation would by 1889 be increased to 9 per cent. of \$100. His speech throughout was the same old argu-
ment, which has become familiar to every-
body. There was applause when he de-
clared he would stand by his colors, as was his habit. The applause, however, was in-
itiated by two little boys and the barking of a small dog. General Mahone is a fussy speaker, not attractive, and arouses no en-
thusiasm. He was at first listened to with respectful attention, but soon his voice was hardly distinguishable through the hum of conversation throughout the building, and very many persons were utterly indifferent to what he was saying.

HON. R. A. COGILL.
of Amherst, was next introduced, and went at his work without any preliminaries. He said he was glad that part of the truth had been told and that part had been withheld, and at once declared that General Mahone had admitted that by their own act they were Conservative Readjusters, distinct from the other party, and as such should be crushed. He said McCulloch was not invited to Richmond by John Daniel, but by Massey. He thought he understood their position; but confessed he did not, for (he Massey) had said he would use his endeavors to have it arranged at 3 per cent. Now it would increase taxation. Mr. Massey was too sharp to commit him-
self to any line of conduct on the debt question, but was caught when he invited McCulloch to Richmond. How could Mahone and Massey object to the McCulloch bill when they voted for the Bookout-Fowler bill, which contained the same provisions in regard to taxing bonds? Mr. Cogill hit Mr. Massey severe licks in regard to his inconsistencies, which are too familiar to be repeated. He declared that Mahone gave the Auditor's report. If he was a man in Virginia who ought to readjust it was Mahone. [A colloquy occurred here between Cogill and Mahone, which was of a warm, personal nature, growing out of some reference to Mahone's railroad affairs.] He handled Mahone without mercy, and showed that the policy advocated by him was mere sophistry, which could not stand against the decisions of the final tribunals. Mr. Cogill is a forcible speaker, and made a fine impression.

HON. A. M. KEILEY.
of Richmond, was next introduced. He said he was simply fulfilling the highest duty of a citizen in appearing before this audience in behalf of the people and the honor of the State, and quoted from Jefferson's first inaugural, that contracts should not be impaired, which drew immense applause from the audience. [A voice: "Billy Mahone, do you recognize the rebel yell?"] His appeal to their sentiment of honor was grand. He said that the question to be discussed was whether we should repeat the end of a partially-executed bill. He showed forcibly and clearly that the advantages were great; he said Virginia would be claimed to be a bankrupt State; but, in the name of honesty, let her rise above the low, dirty level of a bankrupt law, wherein a debtor must surrender his assets in favor of the creditor. He showed that she had recognized the obligation of the whole debt. At one time he said General Mahone had pledged to pay to the State of Virginia \$4,000,000 in 1885. He (Keiley) had voted against it. He mentioned this to show that, whilst General Mahone was perhaps honest in saying he would pay, he was unable to forecast what he would be able to do in the future. The General had not improved his capability to forecast futurity. [Ap-
plause.] He sketched the Mozart assem-
bly humorously, which created intense laughter. He read from General Mahone's speech, made in that assembly, in which he said he was anxious to settle the question, and would pledge the revenues of the State after deducting school fund, and necessary for government expenses, and to do less was dishonest. Yet here he was whining about increase of taxes. Why could not Mahone find out at Mozart Hall that 3 per cent. would increase taxes as well as now?

MR. KEILEY tripped Mahone everywhere. His speech created great enthusiasm and made a telling impression. I am sure that Mahone and Massey have no converts here to-day.

MR. MASSEY is speaking as T close, and the people are leaving the court-house rapidly.

SPOTSVILIA.
A. P. ROWE NOMINATED FOR THE HOUSE—
THOMAS WELSH TAKES PARSON MASSEY'S PLACE AND IS USED UP BY DR. CURRY THE NUMIDIAN LION SHAKES HIS HEAD.
(Special telegram to the Dispatch.)
SPOTSVILIA, September 1.—The pro-
ceedings at Spotsylvania Court-house to-day were of marked interest.

At an early hour a large number of

sembled from all parts of the county to hear the discussion of the debt question, and to attend the Nominating Convention.

The Convention organized harmoniously, and nominated, for delegate, by twenty-seven out of thirty-six votes, on the first ballot, A. P. Rowe, of Fredericksburg—a staunch Conservative and sterling citizen. Mr. Rowe accepted in a stirring and appropriate speech, condemning the Destructionists, accepting the McCulloch compromise as a final settlement, and opposing increase of taxes.

The Mozarts were disappointed by PARSON MASSEY and all their other opponents. None of their countrymen being willing to be used up in the discussion they induced good-natured Thomas Welch, of Caroline, to oblige them in that regard.

The eloquence, splendid diction, and convincing argument of Dr. Curry were heard with rapt attention.

The Mozarts were present in small force, and seemed to represent but one district of the county.

Mr. Coleman, who was supposed to be their candidate, declined, declared he would not run independent, and his friends in the Convention pledged themselves to the nominee.

THE RESULT
may be regarded as the destruction of any hope they had in Spotsylvania.

Late in the evening a discussion was arranged between J. Horace Lacy and J. T. Powell, candidates for the Senate—the latter a Readjuster. As your correspondent left, Powell was reading statistics, and the Numidian lion of the wilderness, with mane erect, was contemplating his prey with a grim smile.

WINCHESTER.
SPEECHES OF SPEAKER ALLEN, MAJOR DANIEL, MAJOR STRINGFELLOW, AND W. W. WALKER.
(Special telegram to the Dispatch.)
WINCHESTER, Va., September 1.—One of the largest and most enthusiastic meetings ever held in the lower Valley took place to-day. Hon. H. C. Allen and Major J. W. Daniel have spoken and completely destroyed the effect of the Mahone, Massey, and Paul meeting in August. Our speakers were ready to meet the Agitators, but no request for a division of time was made.

Major Stringfellow and W. W. Walker speak to-night.

The city is alive with enthusiasm. Put Frederick down as all right.

LEXINGTON.
RAN, TUCKER ON THE HUSTINGS—SPEECHES ALSO FROM JUDGE HOUTSON, WILLIAM ANDERSON, AND READJUSTER FRAZIER.
(Special telegram to the Dispatch.)
LEXINGTON, Va., September 1.—Mr. Tucker opened the campaign to-day with a brilliant speech before a large crowd.

He was followed by Judge Houtson, of Botetourt; Mr. Anderson, Conservative nominee for the House, and by Messrs. Frazier and Lacy on the part of the Readjusters.

It was a grand day for the cause of honesty in old Rockbridge.

FARMVILLE.
EDGAR ALLAN ATTACKS THE RADICALS ON THE DEBT BILL.
(Special telegram to the Dispatch.)
FARMVILLE, September 1.—Edgar Allan, by special request, is to-night addressing a mass-meeting of Radicals on the State debt. He is making a splendid argument in favor of the McCulloch bill.

The Bolters are playing a desperate game with the colored people in the Southside, but Allan says he is authorized to declare that the leading Republicans of the State are prepared to circumvent and oppose the Bolters everywhere.

Rowing-Match.
NEW YORK, September 1.—The sporting papers announce that a match has been arranged between Courtney and Hamon for \$5,000 on Chataqua lake next month.

"The Best Game on Record."
WEST END, N. J., September 1.—At the Columbia Rifle Range to-day, N. G. Holcombe made a score of 199 out of a possible four hundred, which is a record for the range. He is a member of the New York Rifle Club, and is a very expert marksman.

demanded the prompt withdrawal of the troops from the Kingdom of Hawaii in the Hawaiian territory, and if necessary will enforce the demand by war. The best hope of avoiding hostilities lies in the probability that King Theba's claim is only one of his drunken frolics.

The correspondent of the Times at Honolulu says the general opinion is that King Theba will avoid giving cause for hostilities.

Cuba.
HAVANA, September 1.—The Government has ordered that bills of lading shall only be given vessels by Spanish officials charged with this duty; the foreign consuls must limit their intervention to certifying their signatures and declaring their opinion about the sanitary condition of the port. This order is directed against the United States law of June 2, 1879.

The Revolution in Hayti.
HAVANA, September 1.—Advices from Hayti to the 20th ultimo report the island full of disorder and revolution. The Liberals captured two Haytian mail steamers August 17th.

The provisional government of Port-au-Prince sent troops against the Liberals at Gonaves, and after a bloody struggle Gonaves took fire and two thirds of the town was destroyed. The